

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 13 as follows:

In order to eliminate the hindrance, the catheter K is advanced from the guide wire G, and rotated to use the knife-edge circle front 3 as a drill to perforate or push the hard clot area 26a open, thus helping the guide wire G smoothly advance into the true lumen. Hard clot powder pulverized by the knife-edge circle front 3 is carried away rearward along helical grooves 30 inside the tube body 1. This eliminates an inconvenience caused due to the fact that the pulverized hard clot powder remains.